

Woman's Department.

ENCOURAGEMENT IN PERSECUTION.

We should not be discouraged if we do suffer persecution from our enemies! For in like manner persecuted they the prophets which were before us. Did it ever occur to you that when a great genius makes his first appearance, the dunces are all in confederacy against him?

It helps me wonderfully to think, although it seems contradictory, that those whom we call our enemies are not against us at all, they are not our foes, it is not us they are fighting. They are enemies of Christ, they are against the church of God; and are now, and ever have been, fighting against all those who are espoused to the cause of Christianity. Let this thought cheer you, that they are not your enemies, and that they are not your enemies, and when you are dead they will go right on defaming and persecuting those who take your place in the Master's vineyard, although they may be perfect strangers to them; the spirit of the fathers being handed down to their children to hinder the cause of Christ. Jesus usually sends those he can trust most to shire in the darkest places! If ye were of the world, the world would love his own; but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you!

I have heard a woman say, and emphasize it, when she was sheltered in a good home, that no one would ever be talked about or their character defamed, who did right. Now I have learned by experience that the better life you live, the nearer God you are, the more they will defame and persecute you.

Mathew was martyred in Ethiopia. Mark dragged to death in Alexandria. Peter hanged in Greece. Paul crucified at Rome. James the Great was beheaded at Jerusalem.

James the Less beaten to death. Philip hanged at Hierapolis. Thomas pierced with a lance. Bartholomew flayed alive. Jude shot with arrows. Simon crucified.

Andrew nailed to the cross. Matthias beheaded. Barnabas stoned. Paul beheaded at Rome.

So take courage, press on, and if you are persecuted for righteousness sake, rejoice, for great is your reward in heaven. REFUSA MORGAN OSGOOD.

HOW TWO GIRLS MADE MONEY.

"A country girl who is determined to go to Paris to study art, is laying aside, for this purpose, each dollar she has earned," writes Ruth Ashmore in an article on "The Girl in the Country." "She found that there was no one else in the village who could make as good bread and biscuits as she; that those who had to buy complained of the baker's bread. She made no effort at sending her bread to a Woman's Exchange, as she knew that such places were always overstocked, but she went through her own town—a very small one—and asked for orders. She is making money because there has never been a loaf of bread or a heavy biscuit sent out from her kitchen. She will supply a neighbor with hot biscuits at tea time, and she has learned to make dainty rusk, especially for invalids, who enjoy those light, sweet dainties. Her prices are reasonable.

"Another girl, ambitious to gain something, got her father to let her have a bit of ground, and to give her the money that he would otherwise have bestowed upon her for a wedding dress. With this she was able to buy plants, and to hire a boy to help her; and during the summer, while the boarding-houses around demanded them, she served the freshest of radishes, the crispest of lettuce, the earliest corn, and the largest tomatoes; and she says now that she thinks she will double the size of her garden next summer."

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

You can tell how good a sweeper a housewife is by the looks of her broom. The good sweeper will wear it off evenly, and not in one-sided fashion.

Everybody who uses a lamp—and many who have gas or electric light use lamps to sew or read or write by—knows that a good, clear light depends largely on cleanliness. A foul lamp will smoke much more readily than a clean one, and will smell if it does not quite smoke. Lamps and chimneys in constant use require daily cleaning.

The editor of the *Boston Cooking School Magazine*, in answer to a subscriber who asks for some way to prevent the juice of pies running out when baking, recommends brushing the edge of the lower crust with cold water, pressing the edges of the upper crust upon it, then brushing the outside edge of the two crusts with water, and binding a narrow band of cotton cloth about the pie over the edges of the crust, and fastening securely. When the pie is baked remove the cloth at once.

For Slender Women.

Columns of conflicting advice have been written from time to time for the benefit of women who wish to get thin, and, as it is not enough for the woman who desires to put on a little extra flesh to draw her conclusions from the reverse side of the fleshy woman's instructions, she is coming in for a goodly share of counsel, too, which is all excellent in a way, but the regime of exercise and diet which is advised for the perfect development from the standard of too much or too little flesh is usually an absorbing process which leaves very little time for other things, and the average woman soon wears out if it she has the courage to attempt it at all. The simple recipe, "Eat vegetables and plenty of butter, drink milk, sweet wine and stout, take cod-liver oil, go to bed early, sleep a little during each day, and laugh as much as possible," will often help the thin woman immensely. Cream may be substituted for the cod-liver oil, if preferred.

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Woman's Nerves.

Mrs. Platt Talks About Hysteria.

When a nerve or a set of nerves supplying any organ in the body with its due nutriment grows weak, that organ languishes.

When the nerves become exhausted and die, so to speak, the organ falls into decay. What is to be done? The answer is, do not allow the weakness to progress; stop the deteriorating process at once!

Do you experience fits of depression, alternating with restlessness? Are your spirits easily affected, so that one moment you laugh and the next fall into convulsive weeping?

Again, do you feel something like a ball rising in your throat and threatening to choke you, all the senses perverted, morbidly sensitive to light and sound, pain in ovary, and pain especially between the shoulders, sometimes loss of voice and nervous dyspepsia? If so, you are of hysterical, your uterine nerves are at fault. You must do something to restore their tone.

Nothing is better for the purpose than Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound; it will work a cure. If you do not understand your symptoms, write to Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass., and she will give you honest, expert advice, free of charge.

Mrs. LEVI F. PLATT, Womlesburg, Pa., had a terrible experience with the illness we have just described. Here is her own description of her sufferings:

"I thought I could not be so benefited by anything and keep it to myself. I had hysteria (caused by womb trouble) in its worst form. I was awfully nervous, low-spirited and melancholy, and everything imaginable.

"The moment I was alone I would cry from hour to hour; I did not care whether I lived or died. I told my husband I believed Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound would do me good. I took it and am now well and strong, and getting stouter. I have more color in my face than I have had for a year and a half. Please accept my thanks. I hope all who read this and who suffer from nervousness of this kind will do as I have done and be cured."

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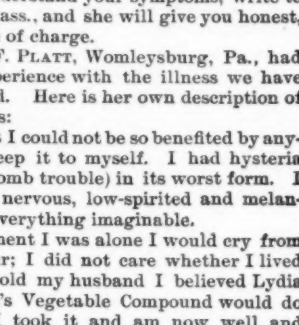
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KENNEBEC COUNTY NEWS.

Those who have conducted the maple syrup industry in this county say the run of sap this year was light.

Work is progressing finely upon the new shoe factory in Gardiner. A considerable portion of the frame is up.

The cherry birds are here, all ready for the blossoming of the trees in Hallowell and vicinity. This is the great cherry region of the State.

While on Cobscook stream hunting, Frank B. Anne of Gardiner was accidentally shot in the side, and died the next day.

Mr. Isaiah Pierce of Windsor, who recently died at the age of 89 years, is survived by nine children, forty-two grandchildren, and twenty-six great grandchildren.

Mrs. Eliza Robinson, who died in Mt. Vernon, April 4th, was the widow of the late Nathaniel T. Robinson, and was 84 years old. She was buried in the Bean Cemetery on Wednesday. Rev. J. R. Herriard, a former pastor, attended the funeral.

E. A. Packard of Readfield Depot has purchased a home in Roxbury, Mass. Price \$1100. Mr. Packard, who had a home in Readfield, is improving C. H. Tuttle's sick with Bright's disease. Samuel Gove was hauling apples to the depot, April 13th.

A subscription of \$500 for the new dormitory for the women's college at Bangor has been received from the Bangor Association of the Alumni in Portland. Hon. Augustus Champlin doubled his subscription. The alumni and friends of the college are generously responding to the appeal for help.

The house erected at North Belgrade by the Kennebec Fish and Game association has been completed. It has been sold to the State Fish and Game commissioners. This action was made necessary by the failure of members of the association to pay their dues and thus provide money to meet the expenses of maintaining the hatchery. The fixtures have been removed to the Monmouth hatchery.

A. A. Thompson met with a serious accident at the Maine Central shops in Waterville, Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Thompson works in the upholstery department, and in there is used a machine to pick apart the curled hair. This machine was working on a rapidly revolving wheel in which are driven several long, heavy spikes. Mr. Thompson's sleeve caught on one of these spikes and his head was dragged along above the wheel. He was laid up for several weeks.

The eleventh annual reunion of the Colby Alumni association of Portland and vicinity was held at the Preble Hotel in Portland, Wednesday evening. It was an unqualified success. The guests of the evening were President Nathaniel Butler, Professor Edward W. Hall and Judge James W. Colby. These gentlemen all made excellent speeches in which they outlined the work at Colby and expressed their wishes and hopes of the college.

Waterbury can boast of the champion strong man of Maine in the person of Frank Butler, son of George Butler. On Friday afternoon Butler gave an exhibition of his strength in Ed. Badley's store, and lifted with one hand a pile of iron weights which aggregated exactly 1000 pounds. The lift was made in fair style, and the crowd was very large. Mr. Butler is 22 years of age, is 5'6" tall, and weighs 165 pounds. He claims that he can lift a greater weight with one hand than any other man in Maine.

Mrs. Harvey Springer, Littlefield, deserves "honorable mention" among the many smart old ladies of Maine. Mrs. Springer is something more than middle-aged. She has been married for thirty years, and has never had a washing done in all these years. Last season from three cows and two heifers she made and sold \$97 worth of very nice butter. She also raised a fine lot of chickens from three to five. Until the present spring she has cared for the milk in the old fashioned pail, doing all the work, including the churning, with her own hands.

It was discovered Thursday morning that the post office in Clinton had been broken into and robbed during the previous night. Melvin Young, one of the clerks, found the door of the building smashed or pried off its hinges and the tools used by the robbers were near. It was found that the car house used by the section men had been broken into and the money and stamps taken. It was probably the work of the same party.

Superior Court at Augusta.

The grand jury came in Monday, and reported 97 indictments, some 75 being liquor cases, showing the good effect of the judge's "charge." The following indictments have been made public:

Horace W. Kimball, Chelsea, assault with intent to kill on J. E. Jenness. Pleaded not guilty.

James McBride, assault and battery upon Geo. Fernald. Pleaded guilty.

Benj. F. Emerson, assault and battery upon S. Butler at Rome. Pleaded not guilty.

Walter Maddocks, Benton, assault and battery upon Albert Hodges. Pleaded not guilty.

Sidney Fuller, Benton, assault and battery upon Albert Hodges. Pleaded not guilty.

Chas. Busby, Waterville, assault and battery upon S. Butler. Pleaded not guilty.

Wallace Simpson, Waterville, breaking and entering the house of Thomas Butler and larceny therefrom; also an indictment for larceny. Pleaded not guilty.

Fred Ladd, Vienna, larceny. Pleaded not guilty.

A. Ladd, Hallowell, larceny. Pleaded not guilty.

Ernest Grover, Winthrop, perjury. Pleaded not guilty.

Grover, Winthrop, nuisance in connection with the creamery at Winthrop. Demurred.

Francis Cucumber, tramp.

H. B. Peters, Portland, selling butter.

Thomas Jones, Manchester, illegal sale of trout.

Fred Jones and David Jones, Manchester, offering trout for sale; same, selling trout.

Eugene Cochrane for an assault with intent to rob, pleaded guilty, the intent to rob having been not proved, and was sentenced to jail for six months.

Upwards of \$3000 was paid in fines for violation of the liquor law.

Items of Maine News.

Mr. John Treat of Enfield is now serving his 51st year as town treasurer.

The grand jury at Bath reported but six indictments last week.

The city election in Lewiston, to choose a Mayor in place of the late Mayor Noble, will be held May 10th.

Mrs. Rose Hollywood, a woman well known in Portland police circles for her kind acts, was drowned in Portland harbor, Tuesday, while drunk.

Bids for a loan of \$200,000 authorized by the city council of Portland were opened, Monday, and the loan was awarded to Woodbury & Moulton.

Charles F. Russ of Belfast had six sheep killed and four injured by dogs on Thursday. The sheep were in the barn yard at the time.

W. H. Duley has been appointed Postmaster at Parker's Head, vice Frank L. Thompson, and R. E. Scamman at Weld, vice E. A. Sweet.

The will of the late Jeremiah Mason of Limerick has been filed at Alfred. His estate, estimated to be worth \$400,000, is to be divided among his three children.

Henry Pike, a painter of Bath, while at work Saturday, dropped dead. He had recently recovered from a severe attack of the grip. He was about 60 years of age.

Deputy Sheriff Addison E. True of Mechanic Falls died, Monday morning, after a long illness. Mr. True has been prominent in business and political circles in Androscoggin county for years. He was a native of Androscoggin.

The printing department in the Senate building, which has been running at half time for the greater part of the past year, has started up on full time, with a full corps of employees.

The steamer City of Bangor, Capt. Ingraham, left Bangor and Maine Island, at Belfast at 9 o'clock, Tuesday, with all her flags flying in honor of her first trip of the season. She proceeded to Bangor later in the forenoon.

The Maine Temple Association of Camden, notwithstanding the hard times, has paid its running expenses, besides something on its debt, and has sufficient in its treasury to pay its stockholders a dividend of four per cent.

The claim factory in Friendship is now running on full time, several being employed, some from out of town. The larger part of the help are females.

This factory and that of Lavory Bros., on the shore of the Medford river, are a great help to town.

Robert T. Whitehouse of Portland has been retained by Mrs. Percy W. Roberts of Bath, whose husband has brought suit for divorce, alleging cruel and inhuman treatment, and alienation of affections by John O. Patten of the Bath Times. Judge Haskell, on Tuesday, decreed a divorce in favor of Dr. Roberts.

News coming from Eustis that lumbermen coming from their winter work in the woods got into a drunken brawl in a hotel at that village, and one of their number was stabbed five times by a companion. Fortunately the man was not killed, and the officers are now in pursuit of the attempted assassin.

William Dunbar, a farm hand in the employ of Mr. Alonzo Butler of Union, shot himself Saturday noon at the house of a neighbor, Charles Bachelder. He was examining a revolver belonging to Mr. Bachelder, and either accidentally or intentionally shot himself in the temple. He is still living. The ball has not been located as yet.

In the Supreme Court at Bath, Friday, Erna Jewell was given a sentence of two years' imprisonment at Thomaston for burning a barn in Phippsburg last December. Young Jewell is 17 years old. He told the Court that he set fire to the barn for revenge, having had a quarrel with a boy whose father owned the barn.

Pullman car conductor Geo. H. Tupper, Friday night, saved a man from death at Vancorbo. The man in a light from the car slipped and fell between the platform and the train. Conductor Tobias, seeing the danger, pulled the man up, and pulled him under the wheels.

Word has been received from Washington that when the new naval appropriation bill becomes law, the navy will be increased with the Kittery yard. For a number of years the work has been done at the Norfolk and Kittery yards, but it is learned from a reliable source that the navy will tend to distribute the work more evenly and that the Boston and Kittery yards will receive their share.

An officer of the Reform School received word from the Reform School, Monday forenoon, having in custody a young man, Biddeford, and Edward Bédard, Gardiner, who escaped from the Reform School, Sunday. They were sent out milking, and their pails, started toward Biddeford. The police at Biddeford were notified, and the boys intercepted before they reached Fortier's. The Gardiner boy got away from the officer, but two hours afterward gave himself up.

Woodman R. Dawes, who, it is claimed, attempted to kill his wife last February, was given a hearing before Judge Foster in the supreme court at Waterville, Saturday afternoon. The charge of assault with a deadly weapon, with intent to kill, was dropped, and that of simple assault with a deadly weapon was substituted. After listening to the evidence, which was most sensational, Judge Foster sentenced him one year in the county jail there. The sentence is considered a most lenient one.

Louisa Abigail Fuller (Rawson) Holmes, aged 90 years and 2 months, died at Oxford, Thursday, April 8th. She was the widow of E. R. Holmes of that town, and the daughter of Capt. Abner Rawson, one of the early settlers of Paris, Me. She spent many years of her early life teaching in the public schools in the towns of Paris, Norway, Andover, etc. At the age of 29 years she married Ebenezer Rawson Holmes of Oxford, with whom she lived until she died, 54 years later. Mrs. Holmes leaves two sons and two daughters.

John A. Leavitt, a heavy settler, died at Lewiston Friday, after a long illness of apoplexy, with which he was stricken a year ago. He was born in 1816, and spent his youth on his father's farm in that town. In 1845 he entered a cotton mill at Salem and learned to work in the dressing room, in the weaving department, receiving 60 cents a week. He went to Lewiston in 1852 to take charge of the dressing room of a mill. In 1856 he engaged in the manufacture of woolen goods at North Gray, where he became a manufacturer from that time. The largest benefaction that Bates College had received from any one person was \$25,000 from Hon. J. L. H. Cobb, the divinity school of the college being named for him. He has held various public offices. His funeral was held in the Cumberland mill of Lewiston, in the manufacture of re-tiling. He has been associated with the Pine Street Congregational church of Lewiston. His age was 73 years.

Maine Postmasters appointed: Belgrade, Charles H. Kelley, vice Edward S. Perkins, removed; Cross Hill, George S. Mosher, vice Sheldon H. Gardiner, removed.

All Women Should Read

This Interesting Letter—"I was Nervous and Weak."

Life Changed from Misery to Joy by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

The terrible trials of the "gentler sex" are beyond description. How Hood's Sarsaparilla is adapted for them and how it restores health and helps over the hard places, is well illustrated by Mrs. Place's letter.

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"Dear Sirs:—In early life I suffered much from stomach troubles and spent a great deal of money in doctoring. I resorted to temporary relief only to have a return of sickness, and for the past five years life has been made miserable by constant illness. During this period there have been six months that I was not off my bed, and for one year I suffered most severely. I was

Nervous and Weak and life seemed a burden. It happened that my husband bought a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla and I commenced to take it in small doses. In a short time it was evident that it was helping me. In two weeks I felt that I was being greatly benefited. About this time our youngest son, then 15 years of age, was taken down with typhoid fever. He passed on to his reward, and soon others of the family were taken ill, until I was the only one left to care for them. I continued taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, and to the surprise of myself and the neighbors, I not only kept up and took care of the sick, but my

Health Continued to Improve. For nearly three months this siege of typhoid fever held the family down. At this time, as by a miracle, my health kept up and I grew strong. At present I am feeling well and know that the benefit derived from Hood's Sarsaparilla is permanent. Other members of the household have since taken Hood's Sarsaparilla and Hood's Pills with good effect." Mrs. REBECCA PLACE, N. Sixth St., Goshen, Ind.

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resigned; Monmouth, Simon Clough, vice Mero Edwards, removed; North Yarmouth, Samuel L. Lightbody, vice Joseph M. Barrett, resigned; Penobscot, Benj. H. Cushman, vice Nora Mitchell, removed; South China, Wilson F. Hawes, vice Timothy S. Farrington, removed; Sedro, Ralph E. Dunlop, removed; Grover S. Bridges, removed; Weeks Mills, H. H. Reed, vice Albert S. Burill, removed; North Auburn, Isaac Osmond, vice Geo. B. Osmond, East Corinth, C. Duran, vice F. C. Hill, removed; Hampden Corner, Sumner Smith, Jr., vice F. G. Rogers, removed; Mount Vernon, W. E. Carson, vice C. G. Gilman, removed; Steuben, G. H. Dunton, vice A. J. Farrist, removed; West Haverhill, F. Grace, vice M. L. Ray, removed.

PROBATE COURT—KENNEBEC COUNTY.

The following wills were proved, approved and allowed: Of Benjamin F. Shaw of Waterville, Mary J. Shaw of Waterville, appointed Executor; of William Wedge of Augusta, Edie Wedge appointed Executor; of Georgia W. Averill of Waterville, W. Averill of Waterville appointed Executor; of Mary R. Ford of Augusta, Eugene E. Ford of Augusta appointed Executor; of Thomas Quinn of Chelsea, Herbert M. Heath of Augusta appointed Administrator with will annexed; of Avery Shorey of Oakland, Charles M. Crowell of Oakland appointed Executor; of Robert Ashford of Windsor, Ira A. Perkins of Windsor appointed Executor; of George A. Morrill of Benton, Mark Rolfe of Benton appointed Executor; of Miles H. King of Augusta, Charles F. Tibbets of Augusta appointed Executor. Administrators appointed: Thomas J. Lynch of Augusta on estate of R. W. Black; J. A. Dyer of Waterville on estate of William K. Dudley of Monmouth; Elwood H. Jenkins of Augusta on estate of Hartwell A. Jenkins of Augusta; Geo. E. Simpson of Waterville on estate of Joseph H. Gardner of Waterville; Helen M. Fogler of Augusta on estate of P. M. Fogler of Augusta; Willis I. Cain of Clinton on estate of Abigail Spear of Augusta; James T. Malcolm of Kennebec on estate of Lawrence of Gardiner; Ellen M. Cain of Clinton de bonis non with will annexed on estate of Joseph Spear of Clinton. Joseph H. Manley of Augusta, appointed guardian of the person of the minor, Edgar M. Manley, partner of the firm of Badger & Manley, Augusta. E. W. Whitehouse of Augusta was appointed Administrator to close up the partnership affairs of S. S. Lightbody & Co. of Waterville, of which Dr. B. L. Tibbets, late of Vassalboro, was a partner.

In the Court of Insolvency Hartwell W. Lyon of Augusta, L. W. Morang of Augusta, and Lewis W. Knowles of Belgrade received a discharge from insolvency. The cases of Frank Willett and Chas. Gerow of Waterville were dismissed for want of prosecution. The case of Frank M. Leavitt of Augusta, F. J. C. Little of Augusta was appointed assignee. In the case of Ruel K. Mariner of Hallowell, W. H. Fisher of Augusta was appointed assignee.

Maine Historical Society.

The 75th anniversary of the Maine Historical Society was observed by a banquet at the Falmouth House, Portland, Saturday evening. J. B. Pater presided, and speeches were made by Mr. Baxter, A. F. Walton, Hon. George F. Emery, Hon. A. F. Moulton, Hon. George F. Talbot, Rev. E. C. Cummings and Rev. Dr. Burroughs.

The cabinet and library of the society has more than doubled since the removal from Brunswick to Portland. At the afternoon session the following papers were read: "Abstracts Relating to the Revolution," from the Diaries of the Rev. Isaac Hasey, First Settled Minister of the Baptist Church at Kittery," by Rev. H. S. Burrage; "Memoir of the First President of the Society, Gov. A. K. Parry," contributed by his grandson, A. K. Parry of Washington.

Fenwick L. Leavitt of Auburn, Me., was on Wednesday, ordained to the work of the Christian ministry in the Universalist church, in Newtonville, Mass. He is to settle in Brewton, Ala.

These patents have been granted to Maine people: Joseph Berren, Jacksonville, for row boats; Horace M. Dobbins, Portland, corn husking machine.

MAINE AGRICULTURAL NEWS.

The farmers of Camden and vicinity are making arrangements to hold a Farmers' Institute at Camden some time in the immediate future. The dates are announced elsewhere in our columns. Among the prominent persons who will be in attendance are the members of the State Board of Agriculture, B. Walker McKean, and Prof. Gowell of Maine State College.

The Ossipee Valley Union Agricultural Association will hold their annual fair at Cornish on August 24, 25 and 26, 1897. JAMES C. AYER, Secretary.

Some of those who cultivate early gardens are planting peas.

Farmers in Prospect are having bad luck with their lambs. One farmer there has lost 25. Some think it is because the sheep were fed more apples than ever before, and a correspondent thinks the State College professors should have instructed the farmers as to the benefits and consequences of feeding apples to stock.—Exchange.

The correspondent should bear in mind that we have not yet received the letter from the State College. He should call on "The University of Maine."

A Bold Mid-Day Robbery.

What appears to have been a carefully planned robbery was on Monday successfully carried out by two men who entered the Yonkers Savings Bank at Yonkers, N. Y., at a time when most of the employees were out at lunch, held up Cashier Cobb, at the point of a revolver, seized \$1000 from the counter and escaped before the cashier recovered from his astonishment. The robbery occurred at midday when there were no depositors in the bank.

A young man, clearly of French descent, in a light suit of clothes, called on Cashier Cobb. He said that his name was Williams, and that he expected a friend to call on him. He was dressed in the latter and himself intended doing some business with the bank. He waited for a few minutes and then departed, telling Cashier Cobb that he would return at 2 P. M. Mr. Cobb turned to go to his desk to put down the name of the visitor. As he did so he noticed something in black under the desk. The next thing he was looking into the muzzle of a revolver. He was the only one in the bank proper. The Treasurer was in his inner office.

The man sprang up and told Cobb if he uttered a word he would kill him. The man was above medium height and was dressed in dark clothing. He had several bundles of bills in his hands, and with one hand he held them up to the muzzle of a revolver. Cashier Cobb was held in such a position that he was unable to get to his desk, where there was a burglar alarm which connected with the police headquarters. The man backed into the inner office and went through the iron gate and the back door and down the steps to the street. When Cashier Cobb recovered from his astonishment, he called to the man to stop. The man turned in the direction of the Hudson river. An alarm was immediately sounded, but by this time the men were out of sight.

They were evidently professional thieves. The amount of the money taken was \$400. The amount includes one \$1000 bill and two checks amounting to \$200. The man's last name to get out of the building left a package of bills amounting to \$500 on the floor.

Near where the cashier's desk stands the bank is "L." There was a door on the south side which was kept open, and it was thought that is where the men got in. It is believed one robber sneaked through this door while his companion was talking to the cashier at the side desk about his supposed friend who intended making a deposit.

Maine Board of Agriculture.

A Farmers' Institute will be held in Engine Hall, Camden, Tuesday, April 20th, which it is expected will be of much interest.

The programme will be as follows: 10:30 A. M., "Dairy Farming," by B. W. McKean; 1:30 P. M., "Dairy Breeding," by Prof. G. M. Gowell of Orono; 7:30 P. M., "Milk and its Products," How Influenced," by Mr. E. E. Light of Union, followed by "Poultry Raising for the Maine Farmer," by Prof. G. M. Gowell.

A cream separator will be exhibited at this institute, in operation. Also the Babcock Milk Tester will be used to illustrate the method of obtaining the value of milk for butter making. Farmers are invited to bring half pint samples of whole milk, cream, skim milk or buttermilk for testing. To obtain a correct sample of milk, mix the entire mess and thoroughly mix by pouring from one pail to another several times; then take out the requisite amount for a sample.

It is to be hoped that many will avail themselves of the opportunity of listening to these speakers. All are cordially invited to participate in the discussions which will follow the lectures.

Foreign Apple Markets.

Cable advices of this date from the principal markets of Great Britain give apple markets as active and higher in consequence of light receipts. Anything in the way of red fruit, landing in perfect order, brings big money. Baldwins have sold from \$2.25 to \$2.75. Out of condition parcels have sold all the way from \$1.25 to \$1.55. Ben Davis, when perfect ground, has brought \$2.50 to \$3.00, Russets the same. The Liverpool market which has been rather depressed, for the past ten or twelve days, now comes active and higher. Glasgows shows up the poorest of any. It is too late now to send any more Baldwins, but good sound Ben Davis, or any hardy colored fruit, and Russets are bound to do well.

The shipments for the week amount to only 3705 barrels.

Geo. A. COCHRANE, Exporter, Boston, April 10.

It is stated from the most reliable authority that the order of President Cleveland effecting a consolidation of pension agencies will be revoked by President McKinley. The Maine office will thus be retained at Augusta.

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GRANGE NEWS AND NOTES.

—Mr. Editor: At a meeting of Mt. Cutler Grange, March 27th, it was voted that at the next meeting, April 10th, we have a dinner and hold an open session, inviting in all unaffiliated or ex-members dine with us. Now, Mt. Cutler Grange has been in rather a low state not having held a meeting for fourteen months previous to March 18th, at which time it was decided to endeavor to again organize, and present cordial food to a solid basis of Grange work. In due time April 10th arrived, and with it a bad condition of roads and weather, but despite the snow, which had fallen the day previous, our present cordial food was lying it, and the slight drizzle of wet in the atmosphere, a most propitious meeting was held. As is always the case among the grangers, the sisters proved themselves equal to the occasion, and a table was set which groaned with the good things eatable. Surely if a person's good will can be reached through the stomach, our present cordial food will have the best of feelings towards Mt. Cutler Grange.

After dinner all repaired to the hall, where the meeting was called to order by W. M. Allen, and the speeches and short talks which were indulged in, show that the farmers need take no back seat in presenting their views to an audience. The sisters truly and graciously themselves equal to the occasion, and a table was set which groaned with the good things eatable. Surely if a person's good will can be reached through the stomach, our present cordial food will have the best of feelings towards Mt. Cutler Grange.

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